

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants : Bertold BAST *et al.*  
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***RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER  
35 U.S.C. § 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME***

Sir,

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, mailed February 2, 2007 (the “Notification”), in the above-captioned patent application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including May 2, 2007. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0206 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the one-month extension of time fee.

**RESPONSE**

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Responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, mailed February 2, 2007 (the “Notification”), please note that the United States Patent and Trademark Office already has in its possession an Oath or Declaration transmitted as part of the international filing. Applicants believe that this declaration complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.497(a) and (b). Applicant’s attorney discussed the declaration in a

March 23, 2007 phone call with Ms. Barbara Campbell of the USPTO. Ms. Campbell agreed that the declaration meets the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.497(a) and (b) and agreed to waive the fee for a late declaration. Should the United States Patent and Trademark Office find to the contrary, please detail any deficiencies in your response.

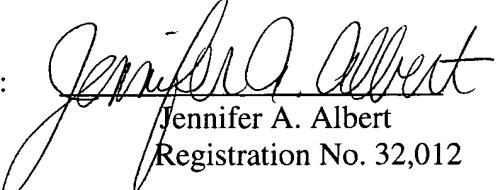
Furthermore, the applicants have enclosed an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for filing.

A preliminary amendment amending the claims is attached herewith. Please charge our deposit account in the amount of \$2,130 for the one month extension of time and additional claim fees. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206, for any additional fees believed to be associated with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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